

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**APPLICANT:** Helmut Thoma

**GROUP:** 3682

**SERIAL NO:** 10/647,912

**EXAMINER:** Terence Boes

**FILED:** August 25, 2003

**FOR:** GEAR ARRANGEMENT

**Commissioner of Patents**  
**P.O. Box 1450**  
**Alexandria, VA 22313-1450**

**Sir:**

**AMENDMENT**

This amendment is in response to the Official Action dated December 11, 2006. Please amend the application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please amend claims 1, 11, 14 and 18 as follows: